# HARTLEY WINTNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

*Medical Officer of Health*

and the

*Chief Public Health Inspector*

FOR THE YEAR 1970

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To the Chairman and Members of the Hartley Wintney Rural District Council.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report for the year 1970.

The health of the District has been good. Influenza was reported from time to time but there was no epidemic. There was a small outbreak of Measles in the summer.

The natural increase of population (excess of births over deaths) was 594, again the highest ever recorded, and the birth rate was 25·1 per thousand compared with the national rate of 16. It seems that the massive inward migrations of 1967 - 69, presumably mostly young families, are now showing their effects. As I said last year, it is not entirely a good thing in these days of over-population.

The estimated population was 37,770, a total increase of only 840.

The new Basingstoke District Hospital is not yet in full operation but now provides most of the usual services. Work on the Frimley Park Hospital is well advanced.

The Local Authorities' Social Services Act, 1970 authorised the setting up by County Councils of a Department of Social Services to take over the previous Welfare and other Departments. Details are given later.

As I stated in last years annual report the major scheme for the construction of the new Sewage Works in Hartley Wintney, the improvements of the sewers in Odiham and Hook and the extension of the main drainage to the village or Rotherwick should commence in July of this year.

In April, I was formally appointed Medical Officer of Health to the District and to the other five Districts of N.E. Hampshire.

In conclusion, I must thank the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their encouragement and support during the year and also Mr. Hill, the Clerk of the Council; also Mr. Davies, the Chief Public Health Inspector and the staff of the Health Department for the loyalty and willingness in their duties.

I am, Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

I. H. C. Morton,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

August, 1971

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## GENERAL STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Area ..... | acres 50,261 |
| Population ..... | 37,770 |
| Number of inhabited houses (Domestic) .... | 11,684 |
| Sum represented by penny rate (1970/71) .. | £6,534 |
| Rateable value at 1st April, 1970 ..... | £1,496,667 |
| Rateable value at 31st March, 1971 ..... | £1,592,591 |
| General Rate (1970/71)..... | (11/8d) 58.3p |

## VITAL STATISTICS

| | | Rates for England and Wales |
|---|---|---|
| **Births** | | |
| Total (including 41 illegitimate) ..... | 941 | |
| Rate per 1,000 population ..... | 24·9 | |
| Rate adjusted by comparability factor (1·01) | 25·1 | 16 |
| Illegitimate as percentage of total ..... | 4 | 8 |
| **Still-births** | | |
| Total (none illegitimate)..... | 12 | |
| Rate per 1,000 all births live and still ... | 13 | 13 |
| **Total all births** | 953 | |
| **Deaths** | | |
| Total ..... | 347 | |
| Rate per 1,000 population ..... | 9·2 | |
| Rate adjusted by comparability factor (0·99) | 9·1 | 11·7 |
| **Infant Deaths** | | |
| Total (under 1 year) all legitimate ..... | 12 | |
| Early neo-natal (under 1 week) ..... | 8 | |
| **Infant Mortality Rates** | | |
| Total (per 1,000 live births) ..... | 13 | 18 |
| Early neo-natal (per 1,000 live births)..... | 9 | 11 |
| Perinatal (still-births and early neo-natal per 1,000 all births) ..... | 21 | 23 |
| **Maternal Mortality** (including abortion) | | |
| Total ..... | 1 | |
| Rate per 1,000 all births ..... | 1 | |

### Population

The Registrar General's estimate of mid-year population was 37,770. An increase of 840 on last year. The excess of births over deaths was 594. The growth of population in recent years is shown below.-

| Year | Population | Total Increase | Natural Increase | Birth Rate (standardised) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1963 | 27,460 | 510 | 288 | 23·3 |
| 1964 | 29,210 | 1,750 | 364 | 21·5 |
| 1965 | 29,560 | 350 | 401 | 19·6 |
| 1966 | 30,540 | 980 | 431 | 26·4 |
| 1967 | 33,530 | 2,990 | 470 | 22·7 |
| 1968 | 35,130 | 1,600 | 542 | 24·9 |
| 1969 | 36,930 | 1,800 | 579 | 23·9 |
| 1970 | 37,770 | 840 | 594 | 25·1 |

| Analysis of Causes of Death | Male | Female | Total | 1969 | 1968 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cancer - Buccal Cavity etc. | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |
| Oesophagus | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | - |
| Stomach | 4 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 9 |
| Intestine | 4 | 9 | 13 | 6 | - |
| Larynx | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Lung, Bronchus | 12 | 1 | 13 | 18 | 14 |
| Breast | - | 6 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| Uterus | - | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Prostate | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | - |
| Leukaemia | - | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| Other malignant neoplasms | 5 | 7 | 12 | 13 | 38 |
| Benign and uspecified neoplasms | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Other endocrine etc., diseases | - | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| Anaemias | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Meningitis | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Multiple sclerosis | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | - |
| Other diseases of nervous system | - | 1 | 1 | 7 | 35 |
| Chronic rheumatic heart disease | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | - |
| Hypertensive disease | 2 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Ischaemic heart disease | 38 | 25 | 63 | 69 | - |
| Other forms of heart disease | 10 | 22 | 32 | 19 | 33 |
| Cerebrovascular disease | 20 | 36 | 56 | 49 | 82 |
| Other diseases of circulatory system | 7 | 12 | 19 | 17 | 13 |
| Influenza | 1 | 12 | 13 | 6 | 3 |
| Pneumonia | 4 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 28 |
| Bronchitus and emphysema | 8 | 5 | 13 | 15 | 9 |
| Other diseases of the respiratory system | 3 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| Peptic Ulcer | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Intestinal obstruction and hernia | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |
| Cirrhosis of liver | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | - |
| Other diseases of digestive system | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Nephritis and nephrosis | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Hyperplasia of prostate | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Other diseases, genito-urinary system | 1 | 2 | 3 | - | - |
| Other complications of pregnancy etc. | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Congenital anomalies | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Birth injury, difficult labour etc. | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Other causes of perinatal mortality | 1 | 3 | 4 | - | - |
| Symptoms and ill defined conditions | - | 3 | 3 | 2 | 16 |
| Motor vehicle accidents | 9 | 2 | 11 | 4 | 10 |
| All other accidents | 8 | 7 | 15 | 9 | 7 |
| All other external causes | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | - |
| | 157 | 190 | 347 | 287 | 327 |

There were slightly fewer deaths from Coronary Disease but nine were in patients of under 55 and this tendency to occur at earlier ages is a feature of the extra stresses of modern life.

Lung cancer is less at 13 (only one woman) but still one of the commonest cancers.

There was one maternal death, from pregnancy toxaemia. Of the eight infant deaths under one week, prematurity was a factor in seven. Of the four older children under one year, three had respiratory infections.

The commonest causes of death are shown in the table below, together with the figures for 1969.

| | 1970 | | 1969 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No. | % | No. | % |
| Total Deaths | 347 | 100 | 296 | 100 |
| Diseases of heart and circulatory system | 121 | 34·9 | 108 | 36·5 |
| Cerebro-vascular | 56 | 16·1 | 49 | 16·5 |
| Respiratory disease | 43 | 12·1 | 44 | 15 |
| Cancer | 59 | 17·3 | 51 | 17·2 |

## Infectious Diseases

The following table shows infectious diseases notified during the past five years.

| | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 | 1969 | 1970 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Measles | 80 | 817 | 41 | 40 | 77 |
| Scarlet Fever | 5 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 5 |
| Whooping Cough | - | 3 | 13 | 1 | 4 |
| Dysentery | 8 | 1 | - | 3 | 3 |
| Food Poisoning | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 |
| Meningitis | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| Infective Jaundice | - | - | - | 2 | 1 |
| Leptospirosis | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| Tubercolosis | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | - |

## Measles

There were 77 cases which is well above the normal figure for a non-epidemic year, 45 of them occured in a summer outbreak in July and August, which has been recorded in other parts of England. It is possible that the suspension of the vaccination programme in 1969, when supply was short, has resulted in more susceptibles in the population.

## Food Poisoning

There was one incident of Salmonella Typhimurium involving a family group of eleven people living in two households. It was discovered accidentally through a "copy to M.O.H." of a laboratory report and investigations then disclosed that four young children and one mother had been affected. All were clear within two months of the first infection but one baby was positive again once, about two months later. The other three cases were unconnected.

The following table shows the number of children immunised against the various diseases during the year:-

| Year of Birth | Triple | | Diph.Tet. | | Polio | | Measles | Smallpox | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | P. | B. | P. | B. | P. | B. | | | P. | Re.Vac. |
| 1970 | 6 | - | - | - | 5 | - | 1 | Under 1 | 9 | - |
| 1969 | 569 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 574 | 3 | 101 | 1 - 2 | 333 | - |
| 1968 | 157 | 34 | 3 | 3 | 172 | 13 | 285 | 2 - 4 | 331 | 20 |
| 1967 | 7 | 11 | - | 3 | 11 | 9 | 61 | 5 -15 | 20 | 86 |
| 1966/63 | - | 116 | 2 | 408 | 5 | 513 | 284 | | | |
| Under 16 | 1 | 11 | - | 109 | 4 | 131 | 20 | | | |
| TOTALS | 740 | 157 | 7 | 526 | 771 | 669 | 752 | TOTAL | 693 | 106 |

The number of children given Rubella - 125

No B.C.G. vaccination was done during the year.

National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1951 - Section 47

No action was required under this section.

Home Help Service

The number of cases dealt with in the combined areas of Hartley Fleet was:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Aged sick and infirm ..... | 204 |
| Chronic sick ..... | 29 |
| Emergency ..... | 16 |
| Post Hospital ..... | 25 |
| Maternity ..... | 45 |
| Child Care ..... | 2 |
| Mentally disordered ..... | 1 |
| | 322 |

Eight of these were helped under the Good Neighbour scheme. There were 40 Home Helps and 3 Good Neighbours on the register.

Home Helps will be taken over in 1971 by the new Social Service Department of the County Council, (see below).

The Home Help Organiser is Mrs. P. M. Roberts, 107 Fleet Road, Fleet. (Telephone Fleet 6513)

Infectious Diseases

The nearest Infectious Diseases Hospital is Northfields Isolation Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot, (Telephone Aldershot 21365), to which cases of Infectious Diseases are sent.

Ambulance Service

Hartley Wintney is a sub-station with one ambulance controlled from Central Control in Winchester (Telephone Winchester 61644).

Professional Nursing in the Home and Domiciliary Midwifery

| District Served | Name and Address of Nurse |
|---|---|
| Attached to Drs. Singer and Partners - mainly in Yateley itself. | Mrs. K. A. Carroll, 20 Farm View, Yateley, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Yateley 2258) All discharges to Yateley 2333 |
| Attached to Drs. Singer and Partners | Mrs. F. B. Delahunty, Avendia, 4 Vigo Lane, Yateley, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Cricket Hill 4430) |
| Attached to Drs. Price, Evans and Henley. | Mrs. C. H. Christie, Rosina Cottage, Crowthorne Road, Crowthorne, Berks. (Telephone Crowthorne 2086) |
| Attached to Drs. Price, Evans and Henley. Covers Parkhill, Frogmore, East Green Estates, Darby Green and remainder of unattached work in Yateley. | Mrs. M. P. Devereux, 137 College Road, College Town, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Camberley 23833) |
| Bramshill, Hartley Wintney, Elvetham, Winchfield, Heckfield, Mattingley, Riseley, Rotherwick, Hazeley Heath and Bottom, West Green, Eversley. | Miss A. M. E. Clarke, 1 Hound Green Close, Mattingley, Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Heckfield 354) |
| Attached to Dr. Trust, Hook Surgery. | Mrs. E. J. Brown, 1 Cedar Cottage, Greywell, Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 2572) |
| Attached to Drs. Haselden and Partners - Odiham. Odiham, Greywell, North Warnborough. | Miss M. A. Neal, No. 1 Nurses Flats, Queens Road, North Warnborough, Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 2692) |

Health Visitors for the district

| | |
|---|---|
| Attached to Group Practice of Drs. Dobbin, Mathewson, Crawshaw, Poyntz-Wright and Aubrey of Fleet. | Miss D. L. Heath, 69 Greenways, Fleet. (Telephone Fleet 3575) |
| Odiham Practice Odiham. Hook, Hartley Wintrey, Winchfield, Greywell, Dogmersfield, Hartfordbridge. | Miss M. Phillpot, 10 Queens Road, North Warnborough, Basingstoke, Hants. (Telephone Odiham 2189) |
| Attached to Practice of Drs. Newell-Price and Collings-Wells of Fleet. | Mrs. Z. E. M. Collyer, 61 Ferndale Rd., Church Crookham, Aldershot, Hants. (Telephone Fleet 5655) |
| Blackwater and Yateley, Attached to Drs. Singer, France and Walker. Surnames A - K | Miss K. J. Davies, 22 Hearsey Gardens, Rosemary Lane, Blackwater, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Yateley 83082) |
| Blackwater and Yateley, Attached to Drs. Singer, France and Walker. Surnames L - Z. | Mrs. P. McKinney, 'Chiltern', Vigo Lane, Yateley, Camberley, Surrey. (Telephone Yateley 2103) |

Health Visitors for the District - continued

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|---|---|
| Attached to Drs. J. Price, Evans, and Henley. | Miss F. Battersby, 136 Fairview Road, Ash Hill Estate, Ash, Aldershot, Hants. (Telephone Aldershot 23903)<br><br>All post should be addressed to:-<br><br>51 Frogmore Road, Darby Green, Camberley, Surrey. |
| Attached to Drs. Trust, Morrison, James and Hudson for Hartley Wintney and Heckfield areas. | Miss J. Clark, 36 Salmons Road, Odiham. (Telephone Odiham 2730) |

Hospital Services

There are three hospitals in the district.

(1) Odiham Cottage Hospital - North Hants., Hospital Group (Telephone Odiham 2600)

8 beds and 1 cot.

(2) Yateley and District Hospital - Farnham Group (Telephone Yateley 82935)

15 beds.

(3) Winchfield Hospital - North Hants., Hospital Group (Telephone Hartley Wintney 2047)

This is a hospital of 75 beds, mainly geriatric, some chronic sick.

Chest Clinics

(1) Northfields Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot (Telephone Aldershot 21365)

Monday

9.15 a.m. - Old Patients.
11.00 a.m. - New Patients.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 2nd Monday every month | 2.30. p.m. to 3.15. p.m. | - Special Bronchitis Clinic. |
| One Monday every month | | - B.C.G. Session. |
| One Monday every month | | - Post B.C.G. Session. |

Tuesday

9.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.
2.00 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. } - Old Patients

Wednesday

1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday every month at Fleet Hospital 1.45 p.m. - 3.45. p.m. } - Old and New Patients.

Thursday

9.15 a.m. - Old Patients and Urgent New Patients.

Chest Clinics - continued

(2) Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke
(Telephone Basingstoke 5001)

Friday

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.<br>2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | - | Old Patients |
| 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon | - | New Patients |

V.D. Clinics

(1) Aldershot General Hospital, St.George's Road, Aldershot
(Telephone Aldershot 23201)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Males | - Monday<br>Wednesday | - | 12.00 noon - 1.00 p.m.<br>4.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. |
| Females | - Monday<br>Wednesday | -<br>- | 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon<br>2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. |

(2) Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, Out Patient Annex.
(Telephone Winchester 5151)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Males<br>Females | - Monday | - | 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. |
| Males<br>Females | - Thursday | - | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. |

(3) Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading
(Telephone Reading 85111)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Females | - Wednesday<br>Saturday | -<br>- | 4.00 p.m.<br>2.00 p.m. |
| Males | - Wednesday<br>Saturday | -<br>- | 2.00 p.m.<br>4.00 p.m. |

Speech Clinics

School Speech Clinics are held at Aldershot and Basingstoke.

(1) Aldershot
(Telephone Aldershot 24104)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| The School Clinic,<br>St. George's Road East. | - | by appointment - once each week. |

(2) Basingstoke
(Telephone Basingstoke 26211)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Brambly's Grange Health Clinic | - | by appointment, daily (except Thursday) |

Eye Clinics

These are a Regional Hospital Board responsibility, administered through the County Council. They are held at the Aldershot General Hospital, (telephone Aldershot 23201) Monday and Thursday all day. Also at Brambly's Grange Health Clinic, Basingstoke, all day Wednesday. (Children are now dealt with at Manor Park).

Laboratory Service

The service for this area is divided between the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, (telephone Winchester 3807) and the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, (telephone Reading 52957).

Child Health Centres

| | | Held at 2.00 p.m. |
|---|---|---|
| Church Crookham | Elizabeth War Memorial Hall, Sandy Lane. | Every Tuesday. (A.C.M.O.) |
| Blackwater | The Surgery, Hartley Corner, Darby Green. | Every Tuesday and Friday. (Dr. J. Price) |
| Eversley | Village Hall. | 1st Tuesday |
| Frogmore | Darby Green and Frogmore Social Hall, Frogmore, Blackwater. | 2nd Wednesday |
| Hartley Wintney | Former Civil Defence Centre. | 1st and 3rd Thursdays |
| Hawley | Memorial Hall, Main Road. | 2nd and 4th Wednesdays (A.C.M.O. each session) |
| Hook | (1) Elizabeth Hall, Raven Road. | 1st Tuesday |
| | (2) Bellmeadow Estate Surgery, Station Road. | (Patients of Dr. James only). |
| Odiham | (1) The Surgery, High Street. | (Patients of Drs. Haselden and Roper only). 2nd and 4th Fridays 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. 3rd Fridays - Health Visitor's clinic. |
| | (2) Upton Grey | Dr. Roper - 3rd Tuesday of the month. 2.00 - 3.30 p.m. |
| | (3) Station Sick Quarters, R.A.F., Odiham. | 1st and 3rd Wednesdays (A.C.M.O. Dr. Cundill) |
| Yateley | (1) W. I. Hut, Reading Road. | Every Thursday, (A.C.M.O. Dr. Cundill) |
| | (2) The Surgery, Firgrove Road, Yateley. | (Patients of Drs. Singer France and Walker only). Every Tuesday 2.00 - 3.30 p.m. |

Orthopaedic Clinics

A Surgeon's Clinic administered by the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital, Alton, is held at the School Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, as required. Remidial Clinics are held at the Aldershot General Hospital.

Surgeons and Remedial Clinics are also held at Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke. Attendance at these clinics are by appointment from the respective Hospital.

Dental Treatment

All expectant and nursing mothers and pre-school children may receive a dental inspection and treatment on application. All school children are examined regularly by the County Dental Officer and treatment is carried out in the mobile dental clinics at schools in the area, attendance by appointment only.

Any cases requiring emergency treatment can also be seen at either the Dental Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, between the hours of 9.15 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., (telephone Aldershot 24104). Also at Bramblys Grange, Health Clinic, Basingstoke, (telephone Basingstoke 21877) on Mondays to Fridays from 9.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4.45 p.m., or the Dental Clinic attached to the Courtmoor Secondary School, Fleet, (telephone Fleet 6363).

Child Guidance

Clinics are held by appointment only at:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (1) | Manor House Health Clinic,<br>Manor Park, Aldershot.<br>Telephone Aldershot 21985 | Appointment via County |
| (2) | Bramblys Grange Health Clinic,<br>Basingstoke, Hants.<br>Telephone Basingstoke 26211 | Monday 10.00 a.m. -<br>3.30 p.m. |

Family Planning Association

Clinics are held at Manor Park, Aldershot on every Friday of the month, from 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., and at Stoneyhurst, Fairfield Road, Basingstoke at the following times.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Tuesday | - | 9.00 - 11.30 a.m. |
| Wednesday | - | (9.00 - 11.30 a.m.<br>(2.00 - 4.00 p.m. |
| Thursday | - | 5.30 - 7.30 p.m. |
| Friday | - | 1.30 - 3.30 p.m. |

Cervical Cytology

Clinics are held at Manor Park House, Aldershot, and Bramblys Grange Basingstoke, for women aged 35 years and over, who wish to undergo a simple test for early detection of cancer of the womb. Appointments for these clinics are made with the County Medical Officer, The Castle, Winchester.

Social Services

The new Social Services Department of Hampshire County Council combines the former Departments' of Welfare and Children. It takes over the former Health functions of Home Help, Mental Welfare and Child Minding.

The local organisation is as follows:-

The Area Director of Social Services for N.E. Hampshire, Mr. C. D. Fisher, is located at Hippodrome House, Birchett Road, Aldershot. (Telephone Aldershot 28312).

Two Groups of Area Social Workers operate from the same office. One, under Miss D. H. Newton, formerly the local Childrens' Officer, covers Crookham, Odiham and southern parishes along with Aldershot and Fleet. The other, (Group Officer. not yet appointed) covers the northern parishes and Farnborough, which include, Blackwater, Bramshill, Cove, Eversley, Eversley Cross, Frogmore, Hartley Wintney, Hazeley, Heckfield, Hook, Mattingley, Phoenix Green, Rotherwick, West Green and Yateley.

Applications for Assistance should be made to:-

Monday to Friday, 9.00 - 5.30 p.m., Hippodrome House, Aldershot.

For emergencies at other times, to County Ambulance Control, (Winchester 61644) who will have the name and telephone number of the Social Worker on duty.

HARTLEY WINTNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

# ANNUAL REPORT
# OF THE
# CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
# FOR 1970

(GENERAL AND WET SCAVENGING SERVICES)

( to 31st MARCH, 1971)

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
Hartley Wintney,
Hants.

D. J. Davies, M.A.P.H.I.,
Chief Public Health Inspector.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my annual report for 1970 including the refuse collection and wet scavenging services to 31st March, 1971.

The work of maintaining the environmental health standards of the district has continued and it has been a busy year particularly with regard to the refuse and wet scavenging services and the allocation of Council houses.

The London Boroughs Management Services finished the Work Study survey of these services, but after consultations with the manual staff and due consideration by the Committee neither schemes were implemented. It was necessary therefore to re-organise the scavenging routes ourselves owing to the increasing development of the district. This involved the alteration of the collecting day for some 1,500 properties and a re-assessment of the work load of each vehicle and crew; this was completed by October and the new routes were put into effect with very little inconvenience to householders.

The problem of dealing with the growing volume of refuse at the controlled tip was assisted by the purchase of a new bulldozer in August. It was sometime however before a suitable driver could be found but eventually much better control was possible. Negotiations were commenced for a new tipping site in Bramshill and fortunately these were brought to conclusion early in 1971.

The North Hants and West Surrey Working Party on refuse disposal continued to meet during the year and all participating authorities agreed to employ the Local Government Operational Research Unit to compute the future cost and method of disposal for this area.

The duties of the Department relating to the control of the gipsy holding camp at Star Hill, Hartley Wintney ceased on August 14th, when the site was closed. By that date the last family had been taken into the Hampshire County Council's rehabilitation centre at Monteagle Close, Yateley. There is no doubt that the foresight of the two councils in providing this holding camp in 1968 greatly assisted in overcoming a continuous problem for several parishes which had been troubled by unauthorised camping for many years.

A survey of those properties within the sewered areas and still relying on cesspool drainage was undertaken. As a result of this report the Council decided to withdraw the cesspool emptying service from these properties after giving 12 months notice, i.e., March 31st, 1971.

Finally, I should like to record my appreciation to all members of the Department for their assistance during the year. Special reference should be made to Mr. T. Hook, who retired in November, 1970 after many years of faithful service as the Council's rodent operator.

I am, Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

D. J. DAVIES

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

## HOUSING

The duties of the Council in dealing with houses unfit for human habitation under the Housing Act, 1957 have been carried out when necessary. There are no large groups of properties suitable for clearance areas at the present time, and all properties have been dealt with as individual unfit houses. All the owners concerned were co-operative and it was not necessary to institute legal proceedings in any case. During the year the following 8 premises were either demolished or restored:-

### Premises Demolished

1 & 2 Lea Lane Cottages
Railway Cottage Fleet Road, Cove
30 Sandy Lane, Cove
Heather Bungalow, Vigo Lane, Yateley

### Properties Restored

Lower Pitham Place, Heckfield
1 & 2 The Beeches, Heckfield

Properties which are unfit come to the notice of the department through general inspection of the district and housing applications and 4 were downgraded to this category during the year. Since the unfit housing survey of 1955 a total of 287 premises have been dealt with.

### Council Housing - Letting

The department is responsible for the allocation of Council houses through the Committee and the following statistics are supplied for information:-

| | |
|---|---|
| New applications accepted in 1970 ..... | 264 |
| Applications refused ..... | 36 |

The state of the housing waiting list at 31st December, 1970 was as follows:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Flats ..... | 71 |
| Nil/ one child ..... | 275 |
| Two or more children ..... | 95 |
| | 441 |

The total number of families re-housed during the year was 154 in the following parishes:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Bramshill ..... | 1 |
| Crondall ..... | 5 |
| Crookham ..... | 2 |
| Dogmersfield ..... | 1 |
| Eversley ..... | 2 |
| Greywell ..... | 1 |
| Hartley Wintney ..... | 16 |
| Hawley ..... | 1 |
| Hook ..... | 2 |
| Mattingley ..... | 1 |
| Odiham ..... | 16 |
| South Warnborough ..... | 1 |
| Winchfield ..... | 1 |
| Yateley ..... | 104 |
| | 154 |

Rent Act, 1957

One application was received to cancel a certificate of disrepair, and as the necessary repairs had been done this was granted.

## PUBLIC HEALTH - GENERAL

Nuisances

The complaints received by the department under this broad heading are many and varied. They range from general defects such as leaking roofs and dampness to noise nuisances and insect infestations. All complaints were investigated and dealt with informally which requires time, tact and patience.

Drainage

No additional surveys for public sewers were made during the year because of the heavy financial commitment involved for the improvement of Odiham, Hook and Hartley Wintney sewers and sewage works. Special attention was paid to those properties within the existing sewered areas that still relied on cesspools. One years notice was given to all owners that the emptying service would be withdrawn on 31st March, 1971.

Water Supply

The district is supplied with main water by the Mid Southern Water Company and I am grateful to the Chief Engineer for the following report:-

The sources supplying the Rural District are all underground in the Chalk formation. All are subject to treatment, and regular examination has shown that the processes are continually effective in producing a water suitable for public supply purposes. There have been no restrictions regarding quantity.

Immediate remedial measures would be initiated if sampling revealed contamination of a treated water. Reservoirs and taps in distribution are examined regularly, and new mains as laid are chlorinated and sampled prior to use for supply purposes.

There are no standpipes and the fluoride content is low, the range being 0.1 - 0.2 ppm.

No reliable information is available for this particular area of the population supplied, but the number of connections was approxiamately as follows:-

| Parish | 1970 |
|---|---|
| Bramshill | 33 |
| Crondall/Crookham | 932 |
| Dogmersfield | 126 |
| Eversley | 446 |
| Greywell | 121 |
| Hartley Wintney (Elvetham Ward) | 32 |
| Hartley Wintney | 1,273 |
| Hawley | 2,185 |
| Heckfield | 59 |
| Hook | 874 |
| Long Sutton | 111 |
| Mattingley | 137 |
| Odiham | 1,038 |
| Rotherwick | 211 |
| South Warnborough | 116 |
| Winchfield | 131 |
| Yateley | 4,236 |

Independent Water Supplies

A few properties in the district have their own individual shallow wells and these are sampled as occasion demands.

| Parish | Satisfactory | Unsatisfactory | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Heckfield ... | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Mattingley .. | - | 2 | 2 |
| Winchfield .. | - | 2 | 2 |
| Mains Water.. | 2 | - | 2 |
| | | | 8 |

Caravans

There are 8 licensed caravan sites in the district used for permanent occupation. These provide 333 hardstandings and regular inspections are made to ensure the conditions of the licence issued by the Council are complied with. The caravan sites are situated as follows:-

| | |
|---|---|
| Oaklands Park, Frogmore, Yateley ..... (Mr. C. L. Phillips) | 104 |
| Blackbushe Park, Dungells Lane, Yateley ... (Laundspach Property Company) | 85 |
| Martins, Sandy Lane, Cove ..... (Mr. C. A. J. Martin) | 38 |
| Hill Corner Farm, Sandy Lane Cove ..... (Mrs. E. A. E. Watson) | 33 |
| Chilton Farm, Fleet Road, Cove ..... (Mr. R. W. Yeomans) | 30 |
| Hook Common Post Office ..... (Mr. R. Cousins) | 23 |
| Kingsbridge Meadow, School Road, Hook ..... (Mr, H. Buckland) | 12 |
| Sheila's Cottage, Mill Lane, Yateley ..... (Mr. L. J. Young) | 8 |
| | 333 |

Individual Caravans

In addition to the larger sites there are 20 single caravans licensed for living accommodation. These are mainly used for specific purposes, e.g., in connection with agriculture. These caravans are also subject to certain standard conditions and routine visits are made. A site licence automatically expires when planning consent ends.

## FOOD PREMISES

As will be seen from the following table there are 214 food premises in the district. Routine visits are made and the general standard throughout the district is a good one. Most occupiers are aware that attractive well laid out premises are conducive to good business and there have been a number of improvements to existing shops during the year. Consultations with builders and shop fitters usually takes place in the case of new premises:-

Food Premises - continued

| | No. of Premises |
|---|---|
| Cafes and Restaurants ..... | 21 |
| Hotels and Public Houses ..... | 56 |
| Off Licences ..... | 4 |
| Butchers and Fishmongers ..... | 18 |
| General Provisions ..... | 44 |
| Greengrocers ..... | 15 |
| Confectioners ..... | 20 |
| Fish Friers ..... | 3 |
| Bakehouses ..... | 2 |
| Canteens ..... | 31 |
| | 214 |

Registered Premises

The Council is required to register premises where ice cream is manufactured or sold, and some 101 sell pre-wrapped ice cream manufactured by the larger firms outside the district. The only ice cream manufacturer in this district ceased to operate last year.

In addition 26 premises are registerd for the manufacture of sausages, cooking of hams etc.

Unsound Food

| | |
|---|---|
| Carcase Meat (Retail shops) | 167 lbs. |
| Cooked Meats | 83 lbs. |
| Canned Meats | 23 lbs. |
| Fresh Fish | 137 lbs. |
| Other Foods | 54 lbs. |
| | 464 lbs. |
| Frozen Foods | 313 pkts. |
| Tinned Fruit | 1 |

Milk

The local authority is responsible for registering premises where milk is retailed and there are 31 in the district. There are no pasteurising plants in this area.

Meat Inspection

There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the district at Odiham. All carcases were inspected and the throughput totalled 1,502 animals.

Poultry Processing

There are no poultry slaughterhouses in the district.

Knackers Yard

The licensed premises at Hook were inspected regularly throughout the year and are well maintained, clean and records were up to date. These animals are not for human consumption, the meat being used for pet foods after sterilisation. The total throughput of 852 animals was recorded.

Factories

The Council is responsible for enforcing standards of sanitary accommodation in factories where mechanical power is used and for certain other matters in non-powered factories. Visits were made during the year but no contraventions were found.

The following factories are in the district:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (a) | With mechanical power ..... | 90 |
| (b) | Non-powered factories ..... | 4 |
| | | 94 |

Out Workers

There are two persons registered in the district carrying out work in their own homes.

Offices and Shops

Occupiers of premises used for these purposes must register with the local authority if persons are employed for more than 21 hours a week. The following statistics are taken from the Council's annual return to the Ministry:-

| | No. of registered premises | No. of persons employed |
|---|---|---|
| Offices ..... | 43 | 136 |
| Retail Shops ..... | 122 | 473 |
| Wholesale shops, warehouses .... | 4 | 37 |
| Catering establishments open to the public, canteens ..... | 34 | 174 |
| Fuel storage depots ..... | 2 | 7 |
| | 205 | 827 |

RODENT CONTROL

During the year a total of 673 treatments were carried out for the destruction of rats and mice in the district. This includes 177 agricultural holdings and the remainder were either dwelling houses, local authority or business premises. The rodent control service is free to all domestic properties, the others being charged on a time and labour basis.

Contracts

The system of contracts, mainly with farmers and large establishments, was continued. Regular inspections are carried out each month and treatment is undertaken when necessary. An annual payment is made to the Council for this service by the owners and this amounted to £564 in 1970. The number of properties covered by the contract system was 63.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The regular weekly 'kerbside' collection of household refuse has been maintained throughout the year. Alternative collections were provided in those parishes where the collection day fell on Bank Holidays and all householders were notified of the change by placing a leaflet on the dustbin. Occupiers of properties also took full advantage of the Council's special collection scheme which involves the removal of such items as armchairs, refrigerators, in fact any bulky commodity that cannot be disposed of any other way. In all some 1,146 visits were made, the highest total in any one year.

The continued development in the district meant that more time had to be spent in planning and re-organising the collection routes. It was necessary to revise the schedule of properties covered by each crew and new routes were brought into effect in October, 1970. The administration of the service took an increasing amount of time and it was therefore of great benefit when the Council agreed for an additional officer to be appointed. Mr. A. Chadwick took up his duties as Cleansing Superintendent in February of this year and has already taken over most of the day to day supervision.

Collection

The number of men engaged on the collection of refuse throughout the district was 28 and one man was also employed on salvage work. The Council are fortunate in having a nucleus of drivers and collectors who have been with the Council for a number of years and who are dependable and reliable. This gives the service certain stability and regularity it would not otherwise enjoy.

The Council own seven modern refuse vehicles all Shelvoke and Drewry manufacture. The majority have a carrying capacity of 35 cubic yards as compared with the standard size of 18 cubic yards a few years ago.

Disposal

All domestic and trade refuse was disposed of at Hazeley Heath by controlled tipping. It is not generally realised that the tip receives refuse from an approximate population of 12,000 people each day. The growing volume of packaging materials including plastics adds to the difficulty of leaving refuse on an exposed plateau. During the year another machine to assist the Bray Loader 540 was purchased and came into use in August, 1970. This Track Marshall Bulldozer was able to supplement the work of the original machine and enable greater control to be exercised. It was, unfortunately, sometime before a suitable driver could be found but this problem has been overcome. Negotiations were opened for a new tip to be operated at Bramshill and this will come into use during 1971.

Salvage

An income of £4,540 was received from the sale of waste paper, cardboard, rags and metals. The value of the salvage scheme is that the Council were able to pay a bonus averaging 93p. a week for each employee and that a lot of waste paper is baled that would otherwise have to be deposited at the tip.

WET SCAVENGING

The Council continued to provide a service for the emptying of cesspools and some bucket closets and the level of work was much the same as for the previous year. The total number of cesspools recorded is 1,593 and there were 37 new ones emptied during the year. The number of cesspools emptied was 3,904, amounting to 10,412 loads of 700 gallons each load. Two free emptyings are provided a year one in each six months and the charge for additional emptyings remained at 50p. for the first load and 25p. for each subsequent load. Properties on cesspools within the sewered areas received no free emptyings and a charge of £2.00 per load is made. The average bonus for the six men employed on this service was £1.53 per week. The number of buckets has reduced to 47 which is 15 less than the previous year.